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## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Cancel claim 7 without prejudice.

## Amend the following claims:

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(Amended) A hollow plastic section, comprising:

a frame section defining a longitudinal axis and having an interior subdivided in several inner chambers by a plurality of partition walls extending in a direction of the longitudinal axis; and a plurality of stiffening elements received in the interior separate from one another, without interconnection, for realizing a reinforcement of the frame section, wherein each of the stiffening elements has a rectangular cross section and is secured directly to the frame section.

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(Amended) The hollow plastic section of claim 4, wherein the means for effecting a positive fit includes one of roughening, knurling, and punching of the member.

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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE:** 

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claim 7 without prejudice.

Amend the following claims:

1. (Amended) A hollow plastic section, comprising:

a frame section defining a longitudinal axis and having an interior

subdivided in several inner chambers by a plurality of partition walls

extending in a direction of the longitudinal axis; and

a plurality of stiffening elements received in the interior separate from one

another, without interconnection, for realizing a reinforcement of the frame

section, wherein each of the stiffening elements has a rectangular cross

section and is secured directly to the frame section.

6. (Amended) The hollow plastic section of claim 4, wherein the means for

effecting a positive fit includes one of roughening, knurling, and punching of

the member.

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